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VS ARCEUS II

POCKET MONSTERS SPECIAL
The Nineth Chapter
HEART GOLD&SOUL SILVER

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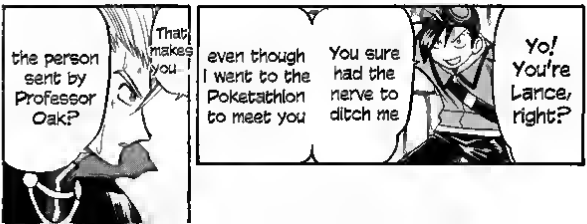
Hm
Hmm?
Yo, are you awake, Bug Catcher?
...No
Your name is Bugsy, right?
Gold!!
Gold from New Bark Town!?
But what happened?
You saved me, right?
That's the reason
Arceus!!
That Legendary Pokemon wrecked the gym!!
Now I don't even have time to read the info I got from Mr. Morty!!

the Ruins of Alph!!
Where a man named "Lance" is
What did you ask him?
...This is!!
we got attacked
But right after he gave me this confusing drawing
Umm This is Route 36, so—
Route
Where are the Ruins!?
There's no mistaking those Unown!!
Of course! I've spent so many years doing research there
What!? You recognize it, Bugsy!?
That's perfect!! Hurry up, Exploto-taro!!
Just keep following the Poke-mon!!

Umm, judging from the wall ..
Where's Lance!?
Is he in there, Dragonite!?
Hey !!
Uwah, what is this!?

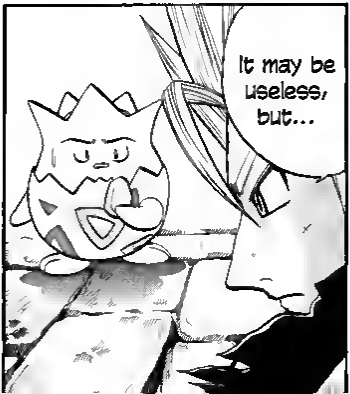
Wait, Tyranitar!!
He's...!!
It's the man in the hologram!!


Yo! You're Lance, right?
You sure had the nerve to ditch me
even though I went to the Poketathlon to meet you
That makes you
the person sent by Professor Oak?

I brought back your wounded Dragonite for you
Hehe! It's just as Bruno thought
The attacker used a clever disguise to get my guard down
I was ambushed on my way there
Hehe, sorry
Oops
...But even with your power,
All of Professor Oak's Poke-dex holders sure are something!
Of cour-se!
You won all 5 medals?
Wh-What!?
Arceus is disap-pointed with humanity
and you aren't powerful enough to thaw his heart
you'll still be hope-less against Arceus

The fact that your Togepi still hasn't gotten attached to you
is proof

What are you saying, you...
Gold!
Arceus is coming down!!
Ahh, jeez!! I'm not even done talking...!
Bugsy, look after Lance!! Come on, Togetaro!!

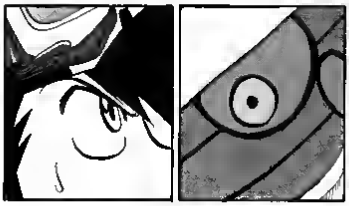

It may be useless, but...

Wait, Togepi

This is a "Shiny Stone"
Take it

Above the Ruins—

Come on out, everyone!!
What is this!?



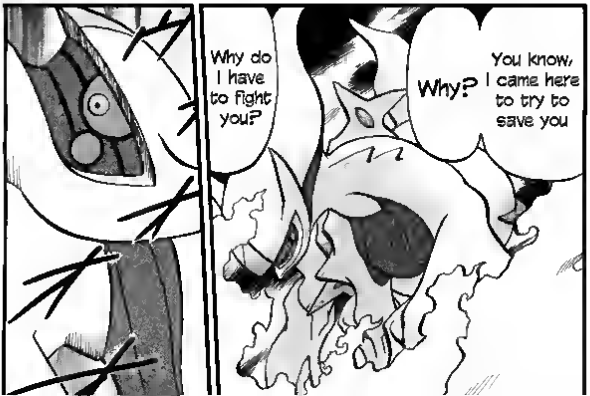
Nothing happens when I push or slam it!!
Damn !!

Heh
...
Jeez
...

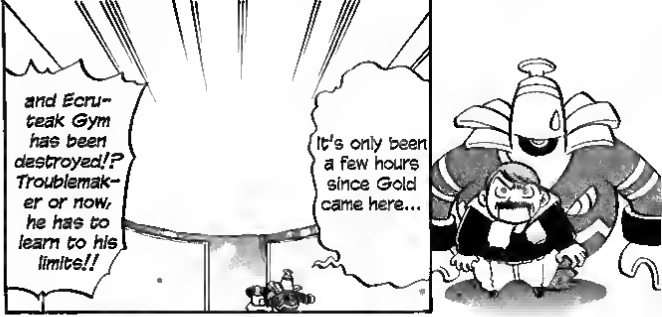
How did things end up like this!?
Tell me, Arceus

I'm counting on you, partner!!
"Blast Burn"!!!

I'm Gold, from New Bark Town
I haven't introduced myself yet
Oh yeah,


Why do I have to fight you?
Why?
You know, I came here to try to save you

Hold on, guys!!
Last until that...
...Kuh!!
Until that bastard
Silver shows up!!

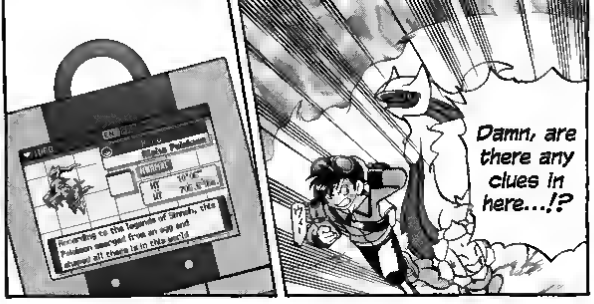

and Ecruteak Gym has been destroyed!? Troublemaker or now, he has to learn to his limits!!
It's only been a few hours since Gold came here...

A 2-hour Super Special!!
This is a huge scoop!
Let's go after Gold!!
Even a cat wouldn't have enough lives to cover a walking disaster like him! Let's go, Dusknoir!!

Wah-hhh-hh!!
But...
I can't run any longer, because it'll just keep shooting at me!
What move is this, dammit!!
Hah
Hah

What's with this bouncy barrier? What do you want me to do?
You don't look so hot, Ar-ceus
ZAW
Oww ...

Ever since I first saw you at Ecruteak, I've been curious
You're making that face again
Why do you look so sad?
After looking at you, I couldn't help myself...
I couldn't help but want to help you
i want to know a bit more about you,
but it looks like you're not gonna tell me!!


Damn, are there any clues in here...!?

N-No
...Have you ever been in the museum in the basement of the Pokeathlon Dome?

The origins of the Poke-athlon is told there

Arceus has Gold in its own barrier!
...
...

going around on an island in a faraway place
Once upon a time, there was a terrible illness

was fraught with ten obstacles
However, the path to this legendary Pokemon
set off on a journey to ask a legendary Pokemon how to cure the illness
One trainer and his Pokemon
The trainer and his Pokemon only overcame these obstacles because their hearts were one
These obstacles couldn't be cleared by people or Pokemon alone
how the Poke-athlon started
That's
That trainer and his Pokemon were treated as heroes
Then, he finally learned how to cure the illness from the legendary Pokemon
the people created ten sports that are similar to the obstacles, and challenged them
In order to pass down the tales of his great exploits,

That's what made me choose to meet him at the Pokeathlon Dome...
"Would seeing another trainer and his Pokemon that are just like that hero thaw out Arceus' heart from his sadness?"

Haha... I'm more interested in that Pokemon than Arceus
A Pokemon that gave a cure, huh

no choice but to go there, huh...
I have...

I wonder which Pokemon led that trainer to the cure

I have to go there
That's why
Aren't you gonna handle this situation!?
Where!?
Let's go, Dragonite!
Looks like you're all healed up